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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF, LA, US

SUBJECT: PAROLE AUTHORITY FOR LAO REFUGEES

1. LAO AMBASSADOR KHAMPHANPANYACALLED DEPTOFFS JULY 22 TO INQUIRE ABOUT PENDING PROPOSAL TO EXTEND CURRENT REFUGEE PAROLE AUTHORITY TO LAO. HE WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN STATUS OF PROPOSAL AND NUMBERS OF REFUGEES INVOLVED. AT LATER POINT IN THE CONVERSATION, HE INDICATED HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE INQUIRIES FOLLOWING ALLEGED VOA BROADCAST LAST WEEKEND INDICATING US WAS PREPARED TO TAKE "3500" LAO IN UNDER REFUGEE PROGRAM.

2. KHAMPHAN, WHO WAS ALREADY AWARE OF PROPOSAL BEFORE CALL, WAS INFORMED THAT IT WAS NOW THE SUBJECT OF CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND CONGRESS AND WAS NOT YET A REALITY. HE WAS ALSO TOLD THAT THERE WAS NO SPECIFIC QUOTA FOR LAO BUT THAT ESTIMATE OF BETWEEN 3,000 AND 5,000

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POSSIBLE REFUGEES HAD BEEN NOTED IN LETTERS TO CONGRESS

TRANSMITTING THE PROPOSAL;

3. VOA TRANSCRIPTS AVAILABLE HERE DO NOT INCLUDE SPECIFIC
REFERENCE TO ANY US PROPOSAL BUT DO MENTION GENERAL INTER-
NATIONAL EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF LAO REFUGEES.

4. SINCE PAROLE PROGRAM HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED SUGGEST
EMBASSY AVOID ANY PUBLIC COMMENT IF POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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